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In re application of: **Chang et al.**Serial No.: **10/682,399**Filed: **October 9, 2003**For: **Method and Apparatus for
Ensuring Valid Journalled File System
Metadata During a Backup Operation**§
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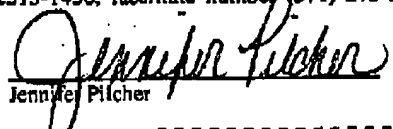
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In response to the Office Action of April 18, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.